

eminence, with a very large practice and a brilliant professional future in front of him, contributing arresting articles to the surgical journals and to *Bryant's Surgery*, a standard book of the period. To the amazement of his hosts of friends he suddenly, under the influence of Henry George, decided to leave Dublin and sacrifice his established position because he felt the political atmosphere of Dublin at that time was oppressive to his strong democratic views. He cut his cable and sailed with his young and numerous family—a nineteenth century pilgrim—to Boston; but with a very different political and religious ideal from that of the earlier pilgrims. He became surgeon to the largest hospital in Boston—the Charity. He only spent three years in Boston, as even there he did not find that full democratic freedom which he yearned for. So to New York he migrated, where he practised and flourished for forty years. He was surgeon on the staff of the City, the Gouverneur, and the French Hospitals, professor of anatomy and surgery at the Post-Graduate Medical Society (New York), and founder of the New York Celtic Medical Society. In New York, as in Dublin, he soon established a wonderful reputation for surgical skill of the highest order, great originality, and independence of character that almost verged, in its integrity, on the quixotic: the loss of fees or patients never weighed for a second with J. E. Kelly if any small or big point of principle or professional dignity was at stake. Almost to the last he continued the practice of his profession. He was a man of extraordinary physical and mental energy. Almost daily, through his long years of residence in New York, he went to the New York Athletic Club ground to cycle and box with the well known amateur and professional boxers of the day, and indulged in other athletic pursuits. His activities were numerous and his personality was of arresting interest to all who came within the charmed circle of his friendship. He leaves behind him his widow (formerly Miss Morrough of Dublin), two sons (one a distinguished ophthalmologist in New York), and a married daughter. The outstanding feature of James E. Kelly was his mesmeric personality, his devotion to his profession, with the highest and noblest ideals, his kindness to friends and patients, his loyalty to all.

REDMOND ROCHE.

Dr. ALBERT WILLIAM BEAUMONT died at his residence, Oak Hall, East Ham, on March 26th, in his 71st year, after many years of ill health. He was educated at St. John's College, Cambridge, and St. Mary's Hospital, obtaining the diploma of L.S.A. in 1882, the L.R.C.S.Ed. and L.M. in 1885, and graduating M.D.Dubl. in 1898. In 1886 he began to practise in East Ham, and was appointed surgeon to the Gas, Light, and Coke Company's Workmen's Provident Society, holding the post for nearly forty years. For many years he was medical officer of health for East Ham before it became a county borough, resigning subsequently owing to the pressure of private practice. His other appointments included those of medical officer to the East Ham Division of the West Ham Union for over thirty years, and consulting surgeon to the East Ham Cottage Hospital. He was a member of the British Medical Association and a Fellow of the Society of Medical Officers of Health. In 1918 he was joined in partnership by his eldest son, Dr. O. A. Beaumont, who succeeds him in the practice.

Dr. HENRY JOHNSTON BOYD of Hillsborough, co. Down, Northern Ireland, died in a private nursing home in Belfast on March 29th. He had been ailing for some time, and finally sought relief in an operation, but his strength was not equal to the demands made upon it, and he never fully rallied. He took the diplomas of L.R.C.P. and S.Ed. in 1880, and had been forty-one years dispensary medical officer of the Hillsborough district; he was most unremitting, painstaking, and conscientious in the discharge of his duties, beloved by his patients and all who came closely in contact with him, and universally respected and trusted in his area. He was always a member of the various local committees of the British Medical Association, and attended the meetings when his time was not occupied by numerous

other calls. He held a high place in the estimation of his medical brethren, on account both of his professional ability and of his sterling worth, and as one who kept himself acquainted with recent medical advance. He leaves a widow and one son, at present assistant tuberculosis officer for County Down; with them much sympathy is felt.

Professor RUDOLF THEIS EDEN, director of the Freiburg University Surgical Clinic, has recently died of pulmonary embolism following fracture of the femur, at the age of 41. A memoir of him appears in the *Zentralblatt für Chirurgie* of March 28th.

Dr. LÉO TESTUT, the well known professor of anatomy in the Lyons Faculty of Medicine, has recently died.

Universities and Colleges.

UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL.

THE following candidates have passed the examination for the diploma in tropical medicine:

J. Black, E. J. Crawford, Mary W. Ellam, F. N. Green, J. T. Johnson, Elizabeth K. Mackay, *K. S. Shah, C. H. B. Thompson, J. J. de Waal.

* Recommended for the A. H. Milne Medal.

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN.

A GRADUATION ceremony was held on April 1st, when the degree of M.D. was conferred upon four successful candidates and those of M.B., Ch.B. upon fifty-one candidates; the names were printed in our issue of April 4th (p. 682).

The diploma in public health was conferred upon the following successful candidates: Agnes M. E. Benzie, J. C. Kerrin, Christina R. Laing, J. C. Milne, Lily M. Watt, Mabel Wilson.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY, BELFAST.

THE special spring graduation ceremony of the Queen's University, Belfast, was held on March 31st, when the following degrees and diplomas were conferred:

M.D. (with commendation).—Edward Armstrong.
M.B., B. CH., B.A.O.—*Rachael A. Elliott, *R. J. C. Maxwell, Margaret Bamber, D. D. Barker, Norah E. Bingham, Rabie A. Browne, N. C. Burns, W. M. Burns, R. J. W. Burrell, J. E. Campbell, Kathleen Cathcart, Charlotte C. Carlisle, P. H. Deeny, D. S. Gordon, P. Higgins, F. V. Hill, R. S. Johnston, J. A. Kelly, C. A. Keogh, M. C. MacCormac, J. McGeough, C. Macready, T. A. Mucke, W. C. S. Murray, J. Purce, S. Robinson, G. Scarlett, Jane S. Walker, Margaret Young.
D.P.H.—J. Patton.

* With second-class honours.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.

RE-ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.

AN extraordinary Comitia of the Royal College of Physicians of London was held on Monday, April 6th, at 5 p.m., the President, Sir Humphry Rolleston, being in the chair.

He referred to the loss the College had sustained by the recent death of the Registrar, Dr. J. A. Ormerod, and, on the motion of the Second Censor, a resolution expressing condolence with his family and referring to his services in the office of Registrar for more than sixteen years was passed in silence, all the Fellows standing.

The President then delivered the annual presidential address. He referred to the fact that there are now 375 Fellows as against 91 a hundred years ago, and that the Members now numbered 658, while there was still one Extra-licentiate. He referred to the work of the College during the past year, mentioning the special alteration of the by-laws, permitting the admission of women to the Fellowship. He then delivered biituary addresses upon the eleven Fellows who had died during the presidential year—namely, Dr. Hugh Walsham, Dr. R. Hingston Fox, Sir Sydney Russell-Wells, Dr. Sidney H. C. Martin, Dr. Henry Gervis, Dr. J. F. W. Tatham, Dr. Herbert Williamson, Dr. Clement Dukes, Sir James Mackenzie, the Right Hon. Sir Clifford Allbutt, and Dr. J. A. Ormerod.

On the motion of the Senior Fellow, Sir William Church, a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the President for his address. Sir Humphry Rolleston vacated the presidential chair and the College proceeded to the election of President. Sir Humphry Rolleston obtained 83 votes out of 94 voting, and was re-elected President for the ensuing year.

Licences were granted to four candidates, and permission given to seal their diplomas. Communications were received from the Secretary of the Royal College of Surgeons, dated February 13th and March 12th. The meeting was then constituted as a special extraordinary Comitia for the purposes of a report from the Censors' Board. This report having been adopted, the following resolution was passed on the motion of the Senior Censor:

"That William Lovell be declared to be no longer a Licentiate of the College; that he forfeit all the rights and privileges of a Licentiate; and that his name be expunged from the List of Licentiates—during the pleasure of the College."

The President afterwards dissolved the Comitia.